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## THE MOORING OF WARSHIPS AT FORT TAKU

Has a Salutary Effect upon the Celespals-Pekin Much Quister-The "Boxsra" Are Active.

ROLD SCHEME LAID OPEN.

European Power Said to Have Caused the Unusual Conduct of the Heathens.

WASHINGTON, June 1 .- Minister Conger, at Pekin, reports to the state stead of caring for the helpless and dy-department to-day that the arrival of ing people of England's chief colony. 350 guarde for the legations of Russia, France, Great Britain, Italy, Japan and the United States, has had the effect improving the situation. He says that Pekin is much quieter, but that the boxers" are still active in the surrounding country.

MARINERS PROCEED TO PEKIN.

Appearance of American Vessel Gives Different Complexion to the Case.

WASHINGTON,June 1 .- Nothing has been heard here from Admiral Kempff, in command of the Newark at Taku, since his short cablegram of Wednesday announcing the landing of the marines at Tien Tsin. As the admiral then stated that the marines were about proceeding by rail to Pekin, only a three hours trip, it is assumed that they have arrived without hindrance at their post and are now guarding the American legation at Pekin. Minister Conger has not been in communication with the state department since Monday last, and as there is no obstruction to the cable and telegraph lines as reported by the cable companies, the state department also assumes that the status is unchanged at Pekin or certainly has not changed for the worse.

Deep Laid Plot of a Foreign Power.

It is hinted in diplomatic circles here that this sudden increase of activity on the part of the "boxers" is nothing more than a part of a well-conceived plan by one of the great European powers to secure a permanent lodgemer n Pekin and to seize a position giving it full control of the great Pei-Ho river the approach to the Chinese capital. It is further intimated that the plan has proved abortive owing to the alertness of the other European powers repre-sented in Chinese waters, but particuto the readiness of the United States minister, Mr. Conger and the American rear admiral on board the Newark, which at once gave the movement an undesirable international as pect ,and so tended to prevent the particular nation concerned from aggran dixing itself at the expense of the interests of the other nations. Therefore it is assumed that the excitement will rapidly abate and the "boxers" will disperse temporarily at least.

Twenty-three warships are now at Taku, nine Russian, three British, three German, three French, two American. two Japanese and one Italian.

In addition to their crews the Russlans have on board their warships 11,000 troops from Port Arthur, with field equipment. Fourteen Russian troops are held in readiness at Port Ar-

WORK OF THE "BOXERS"

Described by an American Lady. Narrow Escape from Death.

ELSWORTH, Me., June L.-Dr. Mary nham, daughter of Orin R. Burn ham, who has charge of the hospital or ound" connected with the Presbyterian mission at Chinanfu, China, a recent letter tells of the work of the boxers" in that vicinity. The letter was written a few days before the masof several native Christians in towns near Chinanfu, and the killing from ambush of twenty-six soldiers in a regiment sent from Chinanfu to the

Miss Burnham says:

Outward Signs Quelled.

"The new governor at Chinantu has succeed in qualling all outward signs of the Ta La Hui (big knife meet or boxors) in the city. We cannot go from the city however without a goard, and the mission work is at a

The English consul, Mr. Campbell. He has had two men put to death for the murder of Mr. Brooks. It was a cold blooded affair, and was on'r nozelble becomes of the anti-foreign

new governor is doing his duty. is crippled by his subordinate offi-(judges) has given Mr. Camp-English consul, much trouble. the English and Americans have ale of their representatives to insist on

on, papers it would appear that ely but decidedly gaining ground. I or there eva only be peace in China it is parin'oned, and if partitioned Pres be a long period of unrest charge from the army. and unquiet."

## THE SPARKS FLEW

When Hanna and Tillman Locked Horns-Other Popocrats Also Given a Drubbing by the Ohio Senator. Miles Becomes a Lieutenant Gen-WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1 .- The

enatorial debate to-day was caustic and as warm as the weather outdoors. At times the exchanges between senstors bordered on personalities. Much of the discussion was of a political nature, although in themselves the questions involved were not essentially political. Soon after the senate con-vened a memorial was presented from the people of California, asking that the government provide some relief for the starving of India. Mr. Hale, of Maine, with this as a text, severely arraigned Great Britain for expending hundreds of millions of dollars in crushing lib-erty and freedom in South Africa, in-

Charged With Making Speeches. Mr. Aldrich, of Rhode Island, charged Mr. Hale with making political speeches on irrelevant matters, and a little later when Mr. Hale reported a further disagreement on the naval appropriation bill, an exciting discussion arose over the armor plate question. A sharp political twist was given to the debate by a speech which Mr. Hanna, of Ohio, delivered in favor of leaving the whole matter in the hands of the senate conferees and of conferring discretionary power upon the secretary of the navy in accordance with the house proposition. He became involved in controversy with Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, and Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, over the government's ability to manufacture armor satisfactorily in the course of which the sparks flew to the intense interest of the audience.

Member Replied to Mr. Hanna. Mr. Teller, of Colorado: Mr. Allen and

Mr. Pettigrew, of South Dakota, replied to Mr. Hanna, all speaking in a polit ical vein. The bill finally was returned to conference. Seventy-nine private pension bills

were passed and also the military acad-emy appropriation bill. The military academy bill carried amendments making General Miles and all future commanders of the army l'eutenant gener als, and General Corbin a major gen eral: Consideration of the last of the an-

propriation bills, the general deficiency was begun, but was not completed.

Congress Will Not Regulate Trusts. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1,-The house of representatives to-day, after a lively debate extending over two days defeated the joint resolution, proposing a constitutional amendment empower ing Congress to regulate trusts It requires a two-thirds vote under the co stitution to adopt an amendment to the constitution. The vote stood: Ayes, 154; nays, 131.

Short on the Requisite Number.

The affirmative vote, therefore, was 38 short of the requisite two-thirds, 192. Five Democrats, Messrs. Campbell, of Montana; Nappen, of Massachusetts; Scudder, of New York; Sibley, of Pennsylvania, and Thayer, of Massachu-setts, and one Silverite, Mr. Newlands of Nevada, voted with the Republicans for the resolution, and two Republicans Mr. Loud, of California, and Mr. Mc Call, of Massachusetts, with the Demo crats, against it. These were the only breaks from party lines. The Populists voted solidly against the resolution The debate preceding the vote had a strong political flavor throughout and

was at times very personal, McCall Attracted Much Attention.

The features were the closing oches of Mr. DeArmond, of Missouri, and Mr. Littlefield, of Maine, of the respective sides and the short speech of Mr. McCall, of Massachusetts, against the resolution. Mr. McCall has distinguished himself before during this session in opposing the action of his colleagues on the Porto Rican bill. His action to-day was unheralded, and therefore, attracted the most attention At the night session, the bills to ratify the treaties made by the Dawes co mission with the Cherokee and Creek Indians were passed and at 9:45 p. r. the house adjourned.

Kirkman to be Restored.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—The course committée on military affairs today reported in favor of authorizing the President to restore George W. Kirkman to his rank as captain in the army, thus overcoming the effect of a court martial and dismissal at Manila, which has attracted considerable attention. The dismissal grew out of disturbance while Captain Kirkman was not on duty and was final without review by the President. Secretary Root stated to the committee that the sentance was too severe and the lantry of the officer at El Carry also was cited. The committee therefore re-ports that in view of the past gallan service the officer should be restored.

Still in Hands of Robels.

MANILA, June 1.-Captain Roberts of the Thirty-lifth regiment, and his two companions, captured at San Miguel de Mayumo, province of Bulacan, island of the reliefs, who have communicated to the Americans their intention to treat the prisoners well and in necessary during the old governors term of office. The Hig Knives embolding to our 'compounds' here. This carry to his cars and he beheaded two or three the prisoners will and the Filipinon had eight men billed and four wounded.

Col. Haven Here

WASHINGTON, June L-Lieut, Col. Webb C. Hayes, Thirty-first volunteer infantry, son of ex-President Hayes,

## CAPTURED THE DUTCH PRESIDENT.

Report Comes from Lorenzo Marques that Kruger is a Prisoner of War. Roberts Silent about Pretoria.

BURGHERS IN A PANICKY STATE.

Rooms Engaged for Oom Paul at a Hotel in Amsterdam-May be Severe Fighting Yet.

LONDON, June 2, 3:45 a. m .- It is reported from Lorenzo Marques that President Kruger has been captured by

the British. LONDON, June 2.-Lord Roberts continues silent regarding Pretoria, probably because he cannot wire of events from his own knowledge. Lorenzo Marques where all the news from the Boer side is re-handled, cables that communication with Pretoria is now suspended. Some messages by courier have reached Lorenzo Marques, but none of

later date than Wednesday. These assert that the burghers are in a state of panic and that Pretoria is being controlled by a vigilance committee. The news blank gives rise to a sus picton that the citizens committee at Pretoria may not have been able to carry out their plans for securing the peaceful entry of Lord Roberts and

sparing the city the horrors of a re-Peace Partly in the Ascendant.

The peace party appeared to be in the ascendant, and, as soon as President Kruger and his cabinet left Pretoria to organize a new capital, the citizens committee persuaded the commandant of the forts to withdraw some of the troops from the defenses, perhaps with the view of keeping order in the town.
If messengers were sent to the British, or if the British, being two hours march from Pretoria, on Wednesday, entered it then or at any time prior to Friday noon, Lord Roberts would certainly have telegraphed this fact. Hence it ooks as though there was a Boer force between Pretoria and Johannesburg.

The soldiers trekking back toward Pretoria, some of them fresh from the fight with General Ian Hamilton, would have brought a new element into the situation and would probably over-rule the peace committee, taking the direction of affairs out of their hands. If this has happened, the British may, as the Daily Chronicle says, see "some hard fighting before the British flag files over Pretoria," for even if the Boers held only three forts standing close together on the hills south of the town, they would be in a position to stand a siege."

Kruger to go to Amsterdam.

The Boers, necording to a special dispatch from Lorenzo Marques, have re-entered the northeastern territory of the Free State and are engaged with the British near Ventersburg and Har-

It is reported at Amsterdam that the best rooms at Het Haasje, one of the principal hotels there, have been engaged for President Kruger's occupancy

from June 25. General Buller is moving slowly against the Boor flanks. A dispatch from Vryburd, dated May

'During the occupancy of this place by the Boers they flogged the natives for slight offenses. A whip and several cords knotted and salted were found at the uolice station. A boy who brought a letter to a woman, received twentyfive lashes, and another, who sympathized with him, received fifteen

Ludy Georgiana Curzon has cabled £17,000 to provide comforts and luxuries at Mafeking.

Conflicting Stories from the Front. The Times has the following from Loenzo Marques, dated June 1:

"Reports of the most conflicting charocter are current here, due to the activity of the Bost agents. While one section declares that President Kruger as returned to Pretoria for the purpose of arranging terms of surender, anothe: secrets that the British have been repulsed outside of Pretoria. Nothing authentic is known here regarding Mr

MESSAGE DELIVERED

in the Transvanl."

To President Kruger by Young Smith for the Boys of Philadelphia-Defeated Ruler Visibly Affected.

PHILADELPHIA, June 1.-The North erican has received the following

"Pretoria, May 29.-By stress of dire circumstances the mesange from the school boys of Philadelphia to President delivered this day, has the tone of sympathy and sorrow at the final misfortune which is about to wipe the independent nations, rather than of en couragement to a people fighting for liberty-for the fight has been fought-

"The message was delivered in the exscutive chamber at the capitol, through the windows of which came the rumble of ex-carts and general confusion atendant upon the evacuation of the city British are reported to be approaching

There Was an Impressive Silence.

"There was an impressive silence in forward to receive from Mcasengor CHERBOURG - Arrived Grat Walder-Lorward to receive from Mcasengor CHERBOURG - Arrived Auguste Victoria, from New York via Plymouth for Hamburg.

the boy had traveled 12,000 miles to deliver into his hands.

he added a bitter epigram:

versed. Caesar greats those about to

American to the president of a dying sister republic profoundly moved every one present. Tears glistened in the president's eyes as he took the packet

nade a manly little speech, informing President Kruger of the nature of his mission as courier of the school boys of Philadelphia. Secretary of State Reltz translated Smith's simple sentence as they were spoken.

'Then the book from the North American containing the narrative of the movement that culminated in the dispatch of the messenger and the newspaper clippings expressive of the sympathy of the people of the United States with the Boers' cause was pre-

"Fresident Kruger's reply was grave and courteous. He tendered hearty thanks to the American people, and particularly to the Liberty lads, Philadelphia, for their sympathy, and charged Smith to return his greetings to the good people of America. Then with fatherly kindness, he shook hands with Smith, congratulating him upon completing his long journey in safety and expressing the hope that he would have an equally safe return to his distant home. The entire group was then photographed."

NULL AND VOID

Is Old Lease on Berkeley Springs New Lease Given-Will Build Mod-

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer, and A. R. Runger, of this county, who propose to form a company of capital-ists and make extensive improvements in these famous baths, and also erect a modern hotel adjacent thereto.

ATTACKED BY A VIPER.

Patrick McNearl from Death.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., June 1. entwining itself about his neck. convining their about his hear. For tried to shout, but the septile drew itself so tightly about his throat that he 
could not utter a sound. At that moment one of his companions happened to 
turn and saw the struggle between the man and serpent and raising a shovel struck off the head of the snake.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer real cause of the disgraceful condition of affairs and that he is endeavoring to shift the responsibility.

The Charleston branch of the Standard Oll Company gave notice to-day of a general advance of 10 per cent in the general advance of 10 per cent in the wages of all employes. The Charleston branch extends to the stations of Bine-field, Huntington, Staunton, Cilton Forge and many others, and affects about 1,000 men. The advance was entirely voluntary.

pecial Dispatch to the Intelligencer. CHARLESTON, W. Va., June 1.-The treasury statement given out at the The treasury statement given out at the close of business June 1 shows balance to the credit of the state in the various funds to be \$1,140,053 62. The expenditures for the month for all purposes were \$159,866 53, and the receipts were \$233,132 31. This is regarded as one of the best showings ever made.

Limestone Company Incorporated. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
CHARLESTON, W. Va., June 1.—
The Bessemer Limestone Company
principal office Martinaburg, was incor-

porated to-day with a capital of \$500 The incorporators are John T. Nanen-bousch, L. W. Robinson, Margaret pard, Frank and Sarah Delan

Too Close to a Pickpocket.

pecial Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
PARKERSHURG, W. Va., June 1.—
mong late street fair robberies is that of W. E. White, chief clerk for ector A. B. White, who had a valuable nd stolen on the Midway to-day

NEW YORK, June 1.-The American

quarterly dividend of 1% per cent on its preferred stock, payable July 2. The 1% on the common stock, previously declared, will be payable on that date.

LIVERPOOL - Arrived: Rhynland, HAMBURG - Arrived: Graf Walder-

THE CUBAN FRAUDS ARE OVERDRAWN.

and the message of sympathy from Gen. Wood Believes all Except the Postal Department Have Been Conducted Honestly.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CUBA

Has Been Improved-Offenders Will be Punished—Some Officials Draw Upon Their Private Income.

NEW YORK, June 1 .- A dispatch to the World from Havanna, says: General Leonard Wood, military gov-

ernor of Cuba, authorized the World correspondent to cable to the World the following statement from him relutive to the frauds in the Cuban postal service and the general condition of the Island "I firmly believe that the irregulari-

ties in the Cuban postal service, which amount to plain theft only, are all that will be discovered.
"The postal service has not been un-

der my jurisdiction. I learned of the frauds, instituted an inquiry and took steps to secure the punishment of the men implicated.

Thorough Investigation Inaugurated. "I have since inaugurated a thorough investigation into all the departments

and am confident that the condition of affairs of the postal service does not exist in any other branches. Of course, there have been many rumors inspired by the postal scandal, of fraudulent ransactions in the other department -the customs service, the engineers de-partment and the department of parks I have every reason to believe that these departments have been conducted in a most business like and honest manner. If there is one department I am sure of it is the customs bureau. You can readily understand that men who have been in the habit of swindling the government under the Spanish regime do not take kindly to the introduction of the business methods inaugurated by the United States. I think that on the whole the entire public service of Cuba has been improved."

Government After the Thisves. "Should you discover the existence of irregularities in any other department general, what would be your action?" "I would institute thorough investigation and punish the offenders," replied

the general firmly. "
"Has any intimation been conveyed that the administration at Washington would for political reasons, rather that no other scandals be disclosed and that the full extent of the irregularities in the postal service be kept as secret as possible?" was the next question.

"I have not received such an intima tion," was the reply.

"It is my place to find out whether the government is properly administer If I find it is not I shall insist on the immediate punishment of any offender, no matter who he may be or what influence, political or otherwise may be exercised to protect him. I am responsible for the honest conduct of the government and any person found guilty will be punished."

No Unwarranted Extravagances. "What have you to say regarding the reports of unwarranted extravagance on the part of officials sent by the

United States government?" "There is nothing in the condition of affairs to justify such a statement. I been compelled to spend more money ed them. They have deawn upo their private incomes to do so, and the government has not been called upon

"How many men have been found guilty of fraud and either been quietly dropped from the service or placed un-

"Very few, and with one exception, all were in civil branches of the service. Out of 60,000 soldiers sent to the island but one man has been directly charged with embezzlement. He was a volunteer officer and the amount of his stealings was \$180. He was tried, found guilty and sentenced to three years Aside from Neely, Reeves, Rich and the other men implicated in the scandal, there are a number of men awaiting trial for perpetrating frauds in the customs service. If guilty they will surely be punished."

Condition of Island Satisfactory. "How about the general condition o

"It is most satisfactory. The reve nues are in excess of the expenditures. There is less discontent than you imagine and while the advancement of the people is slow it is undoubtedly more satisfactory than the old condition. most significant indication is furnshed by the fact that the preparations for the election of municipal officials, on orderly manner. I have not received a "The registration of voters foots ut

150,000, one-half of the voting strength. In order to preserve the best feeling I decided to give the minority party repand the other elective bodies. I do not anticipate trouble of any character as a result of the elections."

Hard to Secure Policemen. ST. LOUIS, June 1 .- The summoning

of citizens to make up the posse comita-tus of 2,500 deputy sheriffs called for by the board of police commissioners to aid the police in preserving order in this city continued to-day and many more business and professional men were

DEBT DECREASES

Over Two Millions of Dollars in the Month of May-Oustanding Obligations Still Amount to Over a Billion Dollars.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.-The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business May 31, 1906, the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$1,122,608,811, a decrease for the month of \$2,183,274 which is accounted for by the redemp tion of bonds. The debt is recapitula ted as follows:

Interest bearing debt, \$1,026,482,990. Debt on which interest has ceased ce maturity, \$1,181,880.

Debt bearing no interest, \$390,772,470. Total, \$1,418,392,340, This amount, howeer, does not in

clude \$729,584,179 in certificates and treasury notes outstanding which are offset by an equal amount of cash on The cash in the treasury is classified

as follows: Reserve fund, gold coin and bullion,

\$150,000,000. Trust funds, gold, sileyr and United States notes, \$729,584,179.

General fund, \$113,335,229. In national bank depositories: To credit of United States treasurer,

\$105,226,525.

ury of \$295,783,529.

To credit of disbursing officer, \$6,095,-Total, \$1,104,261,526, against which there are demand liabilities outstanding amounting to \$508,478,296, which

**GOOD SURPLUS** 

leaves a net cash balance in the treas-

In the Treasury After Liquidating All Expenditures—Big Decrease in Army Expenses-Large Improvement Over Last Year.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1 .- The onthly comparative statement of the receipts and expenditures of the United States shows that during May, the receipts aggregated \$45,166,055 and the expanditures \$40,351,525, leaving a surplus for the month of \$4,814,528. The receipts from the several sources

of revenue are given as follows: Customs, \$17,296,573; decrease as compared with May, 1899, \$1,000,000. Internal revenue, \$23,861,326, increase \$140,000.

Miscellaneous, \$3,908,153, increase, \$1,200,000. The expenditures are given as folows:

Civil and miscellaneous, \$9,140,472, inrease, \$1,100,000. War, \$3,636,636, decrease, \$1,600,000. Navy, \$5,149,621, increase, \$380,000. Indians, \$886,885, decrease, \$23,000. Pensions, \$12,929,679, increase, \$800,00 Interest, \$3,598,229, decrease, \$714,800. During the last eleven months of th fiscal year the receipts exceeded the expenditures by \$65,335,000. One year

ago there was a deficit for the eleven months of the fiscal year of \$104,620,000.

Miller Will Go to Sing Sing. NEW YORK, June 1.-Justice Gayno of the supreme court to-day denied the application for a certificate of resonable doubt in the case of William F. Miller, convicted of grand larceny in the first degree and sentenced on April 30 to ten years at hard labor in Sing Sing ten years at nard labor in Sing Sing prison. There were twenty-one indict-ments found against him, but he was tried upon one charging him with hav-ing misappropriated \$1,000 belonging to Mrs. Catherine Moser. Miller will be taken to Sing Sing to-

Guilty of Prof. White's Murder.

PHILADELPHIA, June 1.-The coro White, law instructor of the University know a number of officials who have of Pennsylvania, who was brutally murdered last Saturday night week, toto maintain the dignity of their rank day rendered a verdict holding the neand country than the United States has groes Stirling, Ivory and Perry responcommitted to the prison to await the action of the grand jury. Stirling, who was arrested in Trenton several days after the murder, still protests his innoceance, although the other two maist they were with him when he struck Prof. White with a heavy iron bolt.

Della Fox Insane.

NEW YORK, June 1.-Della May Fox the well known actress, was committed by Justice McAdam in the supreme court to-day to the insane asylum Wave Creat, Astoria, L. I., on the petition of her brother, William H. Fox and on the evidence of Doctors Austin Filmt, Jr., and Edward D. Fisher, which showed that she is laboring under delusions.

Police "Pull" Bookmakers.

CHICAGO, June 1 .- Oak Park police men raided the Hawthorne race track to-day and confiscated all the cards, time sheets and other pharaphernalia of the book makers found in the betting ring. The police were armed with search warrants and no resistance was made by the track officials. The raid was the result of a fight being made by the Oak Park authorities against liquor selling and gambling at the track.

Black Cancer Rash Breaks Out. NEWPORT, Vt., June 1 .- An epidem c of black cancer rash prevails at West deaths have occurred within a week and in each instance the victim had been ill but two days when fatal symptoms appeared. They had to be buried immediately. About fitty houses have been quarantined, the schools have been closed and everything is at a standstill. Derby, a suburb of Newport.

Confederate Veterans Adjourn. LOUISVILLE, June 1.—The tenth annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans adjourned size die at 6 c'clek to-night. The meeting of 1901 will be held at Memphis.

Lost a Diamond Pin.

While coming in from Wheeling Park last evening a member of the light-fingered fraternity releved Harry Voxiler of a diamond pin, valued at a hundred dollars. The police are on the tracks of the thief, but have made no arrests. last evening a member of the light-fingered fraternity relieved Harry Vogarrents.

ALL EYES TURNED TO THE ORIENT.

State Department Appreciates the Gravity of the Situation-Chance to Engage in Partition.

THE CONGRESSIONAL BATTLES

Headquarters to be in the

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.-The situation in China is being watched with the keenest interest by the officials of the state department, and by men in public life, who are appreciative of its grave possibilities. It seems evident that the "Boxer" demonstration is of far more gravity than expected, and that it can easily develop so as to threaten the stability of the Chinese am-

pire. The Chinese government so far seems utterly un-able to prevent the destruction foreign property by the "Boxers," or even to protect foreigners. The chief trouble with the outbreak is that it gives the desired excuse to Russia, Germany, France and Italy to engage in the partition of China which Great Britain and the United States have opposed, though the latter has tagen no direct steps to offset the movement. At the present moment Great Britain's hands are so fully occupied in South Africa that she can do nothing to prevent the partitioning of the empire, which the inability of the Chinese government to keep peaceful,

might seem to justify. To Protect Our Representatives.

The fact that marines have been sent from the Newark to protect the American legation at Pekin is not surprising. nor does it indicate in any sense a determination on the part of the United States to meddle with the muddle. It is simply a step to protect our representatives in China and such Americans and foreigners as seek an asylum at our legation. Only a short time ago marines were sent to Pekin for a similar rurpose.

The agreement of the powers, at the solicitation of the United States, to preserve the open door in China gives us the comforting thought that even if China be partitioned our commercial interests will not suffer, but that agreement may not be strong enough to resist the temptation that will come to Russia and Germany and France to promote their own commercial advantages if the opportunity offers to do so at a time when we are not in position to insist upon having the pledges kept. In other words, so long as we are strong enough to insist on our rights that long will the agreement hold. Meantime the present outbreak inter-feres with trade and is a decidedly disturbing element that may easily be

Fight in the Middle West. The determination of the Republicar ongressional committee to depart from the policy of the past and establish its headquarters at Chicago instead of Washington is significant of the bellef that the control of the next house is to be won or lost in Indiana, Illinois, Minnesots. Wisconsin, Michigan, and the western states. It is held that it will be easier for the campaigns in these important states to be managed from Chicago than from Washington. The members of the congressional committee can thus be in closer touch with the Republican national committee and with the party leaders in the states where the hardest fight is waged. Doubtless a sub-headquarters will be maintained by the congressional committee in Washington, for the purpose of readily obtaining the information that is available, just as the national committee will do, but the real

work is to be done in Chicago. Might be a Landslide.

The Republicans are very well aware, though they do notesay much about it publicly, that it will be far easier for the Democrats to carry the house than the presidency, changes of a comparatively few votes in a score of districts giving the Democrats control whereas it would require the winning of several states to elect Bryan. Of course there may be a landslide that will give the Democrats a majority in the house and the presidency easily, but even the most enthusiastic Democrats will admit that there is a better prospect of controlling the house than of electing Mr. Bryan, though the average Demo crats is now inclined to think that Mr. Bryan will be elected.

It is expected that the Democratic congressional committee will also have chief headquarters at Chicago, though nothing as to that has been de cided as yet.

MIDNIGHT BRIEFS.

W. S. Taylor and Charles Finley re turned to Indianapolis, yesterday. So far as known no officer from Kentucky has yet come to place Taylor under ar-The health office of San Francisco re

ports that no new cases of plague, either alive or dead, have been reported.

The work of cleansing Chinatown is proceeding.

A cable message announces the death
Thursday, of Charles Engel, said to be
the first brower of German lager beer
in America, at his residence in Kalsers-Lautern Rheinpfalz.

ed all the information he could as to the official force at the white house, but any further information will be sup-piled by the President himself, either personally or by card.

As the German sugar trust starts op-erations to-day the refinerles have withdrawn all their offers from the markets. There will be no further sales for twelve days, then the trust will fix the prices for home trade.

The Savings Bank at Sheldahl, Iowa, was blown up by four robbers Thursday at midnight. They secured \$1,600 and escaped after holding fifty more citizens at bay with rifles while they, looted the wrecked vaults.

The international executive commis-sion of the Pan-American medical con-gress announces that the tri-ennial meeting of that body will be held in Havana, Cuba on the 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th of December, 1900.

The industrial commission has pre-pared a programme of hearings to be held this month when witnesses in re-gard to agriculture, horticulture, gener-al labor conditions at the south and compulsory arbitration will appear.

The Congress gold mine, sixty miles north of Phoenix, Arisona, has been sold for \$1,500,000 to a New York syndicate reported to include Warner Miler and John Mackay. It has been regarded the principal gold producer of Arisona.

Among the callers at the white house yesterday were Rear Admiral Ahmed, of the Turkish mavy, and Ambassador Cassial, of Russia, who called to pay his respects to the President before isavings Washington for his summer vacation in turpres

no-morrow.

Advices from Honolulu per the steamer Mariposa, which arrived yesterday at San Francisco, from Australian ports state that the United Statesaconsulate at Honolulu will be closed permanently after a continuous existence

of nearly sixty years.

Another conference of the interests back of the new sugar combination, which is to include the National, Molenhauer and New York or Doescher refineries is being held in Jersey City, when all the legal formalities necessary to the company's incorporation probably will be concluded.

The Times Company of Philadelphia.

community, because the "boxers" are not armed.

The comptroller of the treasury has decided that specials taxes of tobacco dealers and manufacturers who were engaged in such business during the preceding fiscal year, shall be computed on the total sales in such preceding fiscal year without regard to whether the dealer or manufacturer was engaged in such business during the whole or only part of said year.

In a quarrel Friday morning, Irvin Johnson, colored, of Youngstown, Ohio, attempted to murder Mrs. Ida Welcome, a white woman, and her seven-year-old son. He cut Mrs. Welcome's threat with a razor and slasshed the boy badly across the face. The woman may die. Thinking he had killed her, Johnson then tried to commit suicide-by cutting his own throat. He will-probably recover.

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Assistant Secretary Taylor has awarded the contract for the interior finish, heating and plumbing of the United States mint building at Philadelphia, to Charles McCaul, of that city, for \$475,000. He has also awarded to Rassmussen and Strehlow, of Omaha and Buffalo the contract for erecting the United States government building at the Pan-American exposition at Euffalo, at \$165,000.

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By the judgment of Justice Mathewa, in the queen's bench division of the high court of justice, Friday, insurance companies will have to pay their policies on gold requisitioned by the Transvaal just prior to the outbreak of the war. Two claims, each for £100,000, have been decided in favor of the plaintiffs, mining companies, the judge holding that no state of war existed at plaintiffs, mining companies, the judge holding that no state of war existed at the time of the seizure of the gold Beginning to-day with a meeting of the American Academy of Medicine, At-

Association. Governor Poynter, of Nebraska, has Governor Poynter, of Nebraska, has received a message from Washington, stating that the Boer envoys would visit-Lincoln on their western trip. As soon as the expected arrival was made known, a citizens' committee immediately set to work on areasgements for receiving the envoys. It is understood that the Boers are going to Lincoln solely for the purpose of holding a personal interview with W. J. Bryan in regard to Boer national affairs. They wish to ascertain from Mr. Bryan what his actions would be as-regards the national policy toward the burghers.

Governor Thomas, of Colorado, bas Governor Thomas, of Colorado, has given his indorsement—to a gigantic proposition, having for its object the bringing of the defeated Boers to the valley of the Platt, in Colorado. The Union Pacific Land Company proposes to give a million acres of land, to be taken up under the Carey land, act, on the Julesburg and Wyoming divisions. There is to be no charge for the gift and the company will undertake to transport the Boers to Colorado, being repaid on the instalment plan after the communities are established and prosperous. E. C. Wantland, agent of the Union Pacific, left for the east last night, where he will meet the Boer envoys, and explain in detail the proposition.

Refined Sugar Advances. NEW YORK, June 1.-All grades of

Wenther Forecast for To-day. for western Pennsylvania. Ohio and est Virginia, showers and cooler Satur-Sunday tair: brisk southerly, shirt-to northwesterly winds.

Local Temperature. The temperature yesterday as observed by C. Schnept, druggist, corner Market and Fourteenth streets, was as follows: 7 a.m. 723 p. in 87 a.m. 87 b.m. 81 a.m. 717 p. m. 81 a.m. 81 Weather, Change bie

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'head of the board of punish-

'Caesar, Morituri de Salutamus' quoted Secretary of State Reitz as the president accepted the message. Then

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"This reference to the United States

om the messenger's hands.
"In presenting the message Smith

Kruger's Reply Grave and Courteous. sented.

ern Hotel. BERKELEY SPRINGS, W. Va., June 1.—At a meeting last night of the board of trustees of the state park and baths in this place, the lease of the property to Dr. C. W. Chancellor, of Baitimore, was declared null and void, by reason was declared null and void, by reason of expiration of time in which the les-see was to have organized a company and developed and improved the springs, and a lease similar to the Chancellor lease, with few exceptions, was given to Messrs. Charle P. Jack

Timely Aid of Campanions Saved ecial Dispatch to the Intelligencer. While working in the mouth of a coal mine near Clifton, Patrick McNearl, who lives two miles north of the town, was horror stricken to find a large viper

Turner's Strong Bluff. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., June 1 .-At last night's meeting of the city coun-cil, no action was taken regarding the sensational charges against the police. but Mayor Turner called the officers tobut Mayor Turner called the officers to-gether and after annulling a large number of Chief Cook's peculiar orders informed them that sweeping charges were impending and that those who wish to be retained must prove their impetency by their work. It is claim ed by the officers that Turner is the

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Movement of Steamships. NEW YORK-Arrived: Knizer Fred-

To Be Fought in the Middle West. Windy City.

Among the callers at the white house

The cabinet meeting Friday was un-important and developed nothing of public interest. Appointments to be made in Porto Rico and Hawaii were taked over and it is thought that they will be sent to the senate not later than

manently after a continuous existence of nearly sixty years.

to the company's incorporation probably will be concluded.

The Times Company, of Philadelphia, the recent purchasers of the Times newspaper formerly controlled by the estate of Frank McLaughlin, Friday increased its capitalsteek from \$10,000 to \$700,000. The head of the new company is Charles F. Kindred, formerly general agent of the Philadelphia & Reading railway in Harrisburg.

For the first time in years a large steamer has been attacked on the Yang Tise river, near Ching King, by pirates, The American capitam, named Finage, drove them-off. This indicates that the "boxer" movement around Pekin is spreading south, but reflective people realize that there is no danger for the community, because the "boxers" are not armed.

The comptroller of the treasury has

lantic City for the next eight days will be the central point for medical men, from all over the United States, as in addition to the above there will be a convecation of the health boards of the United States, Canada and Mexico, a convention of the national confedera-tion of state medical examining and li-censing boards, and a three days' seas-ion of the National American Medical Association.

tional policy toward the burghers should he be elected president. Mr. Bryan refuses to discuss the expected visit and conference.